

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire August 15, 2004. Claims 1-13, 16-18, 20-66 and 71-82 are pending. No amendments to the claims have been made.

Double Patenting

At paragraph 3 of the present Office Action, Claims 1-4, 6-13, 16-20, 22-68 and 73-84 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-64 of United States Patent No. 6,646,659 as well as over claims 1-77 of United States Patent No. 6,618,062. Applicants submit herewith terminal disclaimers in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c). This filing overcomes the double patenting rejection and places the claims in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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